

22 DEFENSIBLE SPACE DROP OFF PROGRAMS

In an effort to encourage residents in outlying portions of the County and the East side of the County to clear defensible space, the FSCNC provides drop-offs days and locations throughout the County where residents are allowed to drop off vegetative material, including pine needles and other materials not able to be processed through the chipping program, for a weekend time frame. Materials are then ground and transported to cogeneration facilities or distributed as mulch. This program has proven more effective than chipping in the Eastern portion of Nevada County.

Event 1: Secure Funding for Program Continuation – This program is currently funded through grants of Proposition 40 Funds and Forest Reserve Funds.

Event 2: Schedule Drop-offs: Seven drop-offs have been scheduled throughout the County in 2005 in Condon Park, Owl Creek, Glenshire, Plavada, Soda Springs, Hobart Mills and Tahoe Donner.

Event 3: Conduct Drop-Offs: The drop-offs will be conducted through supervision of Fire Safe Council of Nevada County staff and volunteers, with material being processed within seven days of each drop-off.

